

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Mendoza, Ortiz, Lopez, G. Gonzalez Jr. & Martinez

**OTHERS:** Lara, Marquez, Waters, Zamora, & Zacarias

**ABSENT:**

**FLAG SALUTE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Raymond Reyes, 370 Cypress, Woodlake – Mr. Reyes stated he would like to know if the apartments at 364 Cypress are run as a business or apartments. He is tired of being woken up with trucks going through and creating a lot of loud noise. He knows the owner has been cited but nothing gets done. He has also addressed this matter with city staff and does not want the noise to continue. Mayor Mendoza thanked Mr. Reyes for his comments and stated city staff will follow up with this matter.

**IV. CONSENT CALENDAR –ACTION AND INFORMATION ITEMS**

Request Approval of the Consent Calendar Action Items (IV. A-D)

- A. Action: Approval of Minutes of the regular meeting held on December 11, 2017
- B. Action: Approval of Warrants
- C. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Continuation of the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Drought Emergency for the City of Woodlake
- D. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Reaffirm the Approval of Emergency Expenditures for the Development and Implementation of the City of Woodlake Well Project

**ON A MOTION BY LOPEZ, SECOND BY GONZALEZ JR., IT WAS VOTED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**V. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- A. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Approval of the City of Woodlake's Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget Amendment No. 2

City Administrator Lara reported the following: the City of Woodlake 2014 CDBG Grant that funded a Code Enforcement Officer position in the City of Woodlake will be expiring on December 31, 2017. That position will no longer be funded by the City. The employee that was in that position will be transferred and will be funded by the General, Refuse, Sewer and Water Funds. The employee will continue to perform some code enforcement duties while also focusing on violations, shutoffs, AVA, cannabis, planning, GIS, housing, etc. The second part of the amendment increase revenues in the Parks and Grounds Budget in the amount of sixty-five thousand dollars to cover testing expenditures related to the Woodlake Community Center.

Staff recommends that Council approve the Fiscal Year 2017/2018 Budget Amendment No. 2

**ON A MOTION BY ORTIZ, SECOND BY G. GONZALEZ JR., IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND APPROVE THE CITY OF WOODLAKE'S FISCAL YEAR 2017/2018 BUDGET AMENDMENT NO.2. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- B. Action: Adoption of Resolution: Award the City of Woodlake North Valencia Project to the Lowest Responsible Bidder Agee Construction

City Administrator Lara reported the following: the City of Woodlake North Valencia Project will construct curb, gutters, ramps, sidewalks and storm drain improvements on North Valencia Boulevard (SR 245) from Sierra Avenue south to Whitney Avenue. The corridor currently has none of the above-mentioned amenities which makes pedestrian and bicycle traffic unsafe. Council authorized staff on July 10, 2017 to put the City of Woodlake North Valencia Project out to bid for construction. The project will be funded with Minor SHOPP, Measure R, ATP and Local Funds. The engineer's estimate for the project was nine hundred and fifty-eight thousand dollars. The project has a construction schedule of sixty working days. The following contractors bid on the project:

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| • Agee Construction   | \$ 792,669.00  |
| • Emmett's Excavation | \$ 829,102.00  |
| • American Paving     | \$ 900,547.00  |
| • R.J. Berry          | \$ 902,388.00  |
| • Avison Co.          | \$ 902,928.00  |
| • Lees' Paving        | \$ 951,123.00  |
| • Dawson-Mauldin      | \$ 982,372.00  |
| • JT2 Inc.            | \$1,058,990.00 |

City staff recommends that Council award the construction for the City of Woodlake North Valencia Project to the lowest responsible bidder Agee Construction. The project will increase pedestrian and bicycle safety along the corridor and funding has been secured for the project.

**ON A MOTION BY LOPEZ, SECOND BY G. GONZALEZ JR., IT WAS VOTED TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AND AWARD THE CITY OF WOODLAKE NORTH VALENCIA PROJECT TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER AGEE CONSTRUCTION. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## VI. OTHER BUSINESS

### A. Information: Items from Staff

City Administrator Lara – Reported the Community Center is on schedule. Mayor Mendoza asked if the Plaza parking lot would remain inaccessible throughout construction of the Community Center, City Administrator stated yes.

City Attorney Zamora – Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and stated he appreciates working for the City of Woodlake

### B. Information: Items from Council

### C. Request from Council Members for Future Agenda Items

## VII. CLOSED SESSION

### 1. **PENDING LITIGATION** (Government Code § 54956.9). It is the intention of this governing body to meet in closed-session concerning:

Conference with legal counsel – **EXISTING LITIGATION** (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)).

☒ Parties, case/claim no. City of Woodlake v. Garibay, Tulare County Case No. VCU263067

☐ Case name unspecified because of jeopardy to settlement negotiations or service of process.

City Administrator stated there is no closed session to discuss today.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

As provided in the Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code sections 54950 et seq., the Governing Board may meet in closed session with members of its staff and its attorneys. These sessions are not open to the public and may not be attended by members of the public. The matters the Council will meet on in closed session are identified below or are those matters appropriately identified in open session as requiring immediate attention and arising after the posting of the agenda. Any public reports of action taken in the closed session will be made in accordance with Government Code sections 54957.1 “Documents: If distributed to the Council less than 72 hours before a regular meeting, any public records which are subject to public inspection and pertain to an open-session item on the regular meeting agenda shall be available at the following address at the time they are distributed to a majority of the Council: 350 North Valencia Boulevard, Woodlake, California 93286. Public records distributed to the Council at a public meeting will be available to the public at such meeting if they were prepared by the City. Exemptions and details in Government Code § 54957.5 (a) shall apply.”

### VIII. ADJOURN

The next scheduled City Council meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers located at 350 North Valencia Boulevard, Woodlake, CA 93286.

City Council:

Rudy Mendoza - Mayor

Frances Ortiz - Vice Mayor

Louie Lopez - Councilmember

Greg Gonzalez Jr. - Councilmember

Jose L. Martinez - Councilmember

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM

Submitted by,

Irene Zacarias  
City Clerk